IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, immediately after the title, please delete the present heading and insert the following paragraph and heading as follows:

Description

This specification for the instant application should be granted the priority date of March 17, 2004, the filing date of the corresponding German patent application 20 2004 004 178.2 as well as the priority date of 17 March 2005, the filing date of the corresponding International patent application PCT/EP2005/002853.

Background of the Invention.

On page 1, lines 5 and 6, please amend this paragraph as follows:

The invention relates to an escalator or moving sidewalk-in accordance with the preamble of claim 1.

On page 3, lines 13-16, please amend this paragraph as follows:

The object of the invention is therefore to create an escalator or moving sidewalk in accordance with the preamble of claim 1 that is lighter in weight without losing rigidity so that it can also be used for buildings with a low load-bearing strength while at the same time reducing the manufacturing costs.

On page 3, line 17, please insert the following heading:

--Summary of the Invention--

On page 3, lines 18 and 19, please amend this paragraph as follows:

This object is realized in accordance with the invention by claim 1. Further advantageous embodiments are described in the sub-claims an escalator or moving sidewalk comprising a frame to form a supporting structure between an entry and an exit, wherein the frame is composed at least partially of a perforated plate structure having round holes or hole cut-outs in particular on the side surfaces of the frame, and wherein the holes or hole cut-outs are provided over a significant portion of the height of the frame, preferably over approximately over half of the height of the frame.

On page 8, line 17, please insert the following heading:

--Brief Description of the Drawings--

On page 9, line 6, please insert the following heading:

-- Description of Specific Embodiments --.

On page 13, after line 3, please insert the following two <u>new</u> paragraphs:

--The specification incorporates by reference the disclosure of German priority document 20 2004 004 178.2 filed March 17, 2004 and PCT/EP2005/002853 filed March 17, 2005.

The present invention is, of course, in no way restricted to the specific disclosure of the specification and drawings, but also encompasses any modifications within the scope of the appended claims.--